

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. They are  
using the airwaves  
to give a biased  
viewpoint, which  
does not serve to  
promote democracy.  
In a democracy  
people need to be  
informed so they can  
make a decision, not  
swayed by  
propoganda.

We need a  
diversification of  
media providers so  
that many different  
viewpoints can be  
expressed - not just  
one.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard. Thank you.